

IN THE CLAIMS:

1. (Currently Amended) A computer program product for installing applications on a server, said program product comprising:

a computer readable storage medium;

a multiplicity of program objects to install a respective multiplicity of the applications on said server;

first program instructions to determine a plurality of said program objects which currently have prerequisite parameters ~~for~~ to install their respective applications; and

second program instructions to invoke said plurality of program objects; and wherein

~~one of said plurality of program objects installing one of said applications and based on the, after installing of one of said one applications, generating a prerequisite parameter needed to install another of said applications, identifying and invoking~~ another of said program objects to install ~~another of said other applications, and supplying to said other program object said a~~ prerequisite parameter needed ~~for said other program object needed to install said other application, and in response, said other program object installing said other application using said prerequisite parameter needed to install said other application; and wherein~~

~~said one program object generated said prerequisite parameter based on installation of said one application; and~~

said program objects and said first and second program instructions are recorded in functional form on said computer readable storage medium to support installation by said plurality of program objects of their respective applications in said server and support installation by said other program object of said other application in said server.

Claim 2. (previously canceled).

3. (Currently Amended) A computer program product as set forth in claim 1 further comprising third program instructions to prompt a user to furnish parameters for said plurality of program objects; and wherein said third program instructions are recorded on said computer readable storage medium.

4. (Original) A computer program product as set forth in claim 1 wherein a first one of said plurality of program objects installs distributing computing software, a second one of said plurality of program objects installs data base management software and a third one of said plurality of program objects installs prerequisite software for WWW server software.

5. (Currently Amended) A computer system for installing applications on a server, said system comprising:

a processor;

a computer readable storage media;

a multiplicity of program objects, recorded on ~~said~~ computer readable storage media for execution by said processor, to install a respective multiplicity of applications on said server; and

means for determining a plurality of said program objects which currently have prerequisite parameters ~~for~~ to install their respective applications on said server; and

means for invoking said plurality of program objects; and wherein

~~at least one of said plurality of program objects installing one of said applications and based on the, after installation of one of said one applications, generating a prerequisite parameter needed to install another of said applications, identifying and; invoking~~ another of said program objects to install ~~another of said other applications, and supplying to said other program object said~~ prerequisite parameter ~~for said other program object needed to install said other application, and in response, said other program object installing said other application using said prerequisite parameter needed to install said other application, and wherein said one program object generated said prerequisite parameter based on installation of said one application;~~

Claim 6. (Previously canceled).

7. (Original) A system as set forth in claim 5 further comprising means for prompting a user to furnish parameters for said plurality of program objects.

8. (Original) A system as set forth in claim 5 wherein a first one of said plurality of program objects installs distributing computing software, a second one of said plurality of program objects installs data base management software and a third one of said plurality of program objects installs prerequisite software for WWW server software.

9. (Original) A computer program product as set forth in claim 1 wherein one of said program objects, during installation of one of said applications, configures a remote database by setting up a TCP/IP port on said server, said port to be used by said server to access said remote database using TCP/IP communications, said one program object testing connectivity to said remote database via said port by sending a signal to said remote database via said port and determining if a response is received.

10. (Original) A computer program product as set forth in claim 9 wherein said one program object passes locally cataloged database information, corresponding to said remote database, to another of said program objects for use in installing another of said applications.

11. (Original) A computer system as set forth in claim 5 wherein one of said program objects configures a remote database by setting up a TCP/IP port on said server, said port to be used by said server to access said remote database using TCP/IP communications, said one program object testing connectivity to said remote database via said port by sending a signal to said remote database via said port and determining if a response is received.

12. (Original) A computer program product as set forth in claim 11 wherein said one program object passes locally cataloged database information, corresponding to said remote database, to another of said program objects for use in installing another of said applications.

Claims 13-17 (Canceled)